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EXDIS, FOR AMBASSADOR GATES FROM HUMMEL

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PDIP, PFOR, CH, US

SUBJECT: YOUR MEETING WITH FONMIN HUANG HUA

REF: PEKING 2662

1. I HAVE DISCUSSED YOUR REFTEL WITH AUTHORITATIVE LEVELS HERE. WE ALL FEEL THAT THERE IS NO USEFUL WAY FOR YOU TO COMMENT TO FONMIN ON STATEMENTS OR ATTITUDES ATTRIBUTED TO CARTER ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS. ALSO BELIEVE FONMIN WOULD NOT EXPECT SUCH COMMENT FROM YOU DURING COURTESY CALL AT THIS TIME OF TRANSITION, AND THEREFORE ABSENCE SUCH COMMENT WILL NOT BE MISINTERPRETED.

2. IF HUANG RAISES SUBSTANTIVE ASPECTS OF BILATERAL RELATIONS YOU SHOULD CONFINE YOURSELF TO OBSERVING THAT IT IS APPARENT THAT NEW ADMINISTRATION PLACES HIGH
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IMPORTANCE ON, AND WILL GIVE CLOSE ATTENTION TO, CONTINUATION OF PROGRESS IN US-CHINA RELATIONS.
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